

# THE OLIN T. BINKLEY MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

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MARCH 1, 2020  
THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

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The beauty of play  
is that it isn't useful for anything  
but is pleasing to God  
who wants us to become  
like little children

PAUL STEVENS  
in *Satisfying Work*

## GATHERING

RINGING OF THE SANCTUS BELL

PRELUDE

Prelude in C

Charles Callahan

*Kyle Ballantine, organ*

OPENING SENTENCES & AN INVITATION TO OBSERVE A HOLY LENT

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

Many: **and also with you.**

INTROIT

O Taste and See

Ralph Vaughan Williams

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is: blest is the one that trusteth in God.

*Amanda McAllister, Sondra VanSant, and Libba Wells; sopranos*

INVOCATION

WELCOME & OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH, SERVICE, & FELLOWSHIP

*Please pass the Friendship Registers found on each row. Complete the requested information and then pass it back down the row. Thank you for worshipping with us at Binkley!*

## LISTENING & LEARNING

THE PSALM LESSON

Psalm 18:1-3, 16-19 (adapted)

*Emily Brewer & Dylan McDonough, lectors*

Voice 1: Dear God, how much I love you. Thank you for keeping me strong.

Voice 2: You are like bedrock under my feet or like a fort that I can enter and be safe.

Voice 1: You, O God, are like a rugged mountain where I can hide, a high rock where no one can reach me. You are my shield.

Voice 2: I sing to you, O God, knowing that I am secure with you by my side.

Voice 1: Sometimes, I have felt surrounded by people who I don't trust, and it has been like swimming in an ocean of fear and hate.

Voice 2: But you were there, O God, and I felt you take me to dry land.

Voice 1: When I am worried or afraid, I sense your protection and give thanks for your nearness.

Voice 2: Standing safely in a wide-open field, I rejoice in your love.

**ALL: May it be so.**

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 17:1-9

One: For the word of God in scripture, for the word of God among us,  
for the word of God within us,

**Many: Thanks be to God.**

\* HYMN ON THE LESSONS

God Made from One Blood

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*As the hymn concludes, children age 4-5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to recess to the back of the Sanctuary for Worship with Children.*

SERMON

“The Human Journey: Childhood & Adolescence”

*Marcus McFaul*

## PRAYING & FEASTING

COMMUNITY PRAYER

*Stephanie Ford*

One: God, we are grateful for our children. Help us to remember that they are only ours for a little while, and that our biggest job is to prepare them to leave us.

**Many: May we guard our children and keep them from harm.**

One: Each child has special abilities. Help us to recognize these abilities and encourage our children to develop them as you would wish.

**Many:** May we watch over our children as they grow and find their skills. May we encourage them but, at the same time, allow them to choose what they want to do.

One: Each child will face challenges. Help us to see these challenges not as obstacles, but rather as a means of discovering new ways of living life.

**Many:** May we allow our children to fail sometimes, and teach them that true failure lies in giving up.

One: Each child needs faith. Help us to bring them up with faith--faith in themselves, faith in us, and, most of all, faith in you.

**Many:** May we teach our children to pray. May we show them that prayer is a part of our daily life so that, as they grow, it will be a part of theirs.

One: Each child needs structure, but they also need freedom. Help us to teach them how to find a balance between the two.

**Many:** May we show our children a balanced life by making sure that our own lives are also balanced, with a good mix of work and play.

One: Each child needs love. Help us to show them the love that you show us, forgiving them when they need it, while at the same time letting them know that some behaviors are not acceptable.

**Many:** May we love our children. May we live lives of love, modeling what true love looks like so that they will recognize it in themselves.

One: Each child needs boundaries. Help us to help them learn how to set their own boundaries--physical boundaries, emotional boundaries--so that they will be able to protect themselves, in every sense of the word.

**Many:** May we model boundary-setting for our children. May we show them that there are always people who will try to cross boundaries and give them the courage to stand up for themselves.

One: Each child needs adults who care. Help us to be those adults for however many children come into our lives, whether we are the parents or not.

**Many:** May we remember that children are the most vulnerable of all. May we make it our mission never to place them in harm's way, and, if they are already there, may we do what needs to be done to remove them from it.

**ALL:** Lord, we thank you for all of the children. We ask that you be with us as we guide them into a future that we can only imagine. We ask that you be with them so that, as time goes on, they, too, will grow into the adults you always intended them to be. We ask that, no matter what comes into their lives, there will always be time for them to sit with you, time for them not to be busy, time for them just to be. Amen.

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## ANTHEM

## Room at the Table

David Lantz

There is room at the table, a place at the feast. There is room for each burden you long to release.  
 Ev'ry heartache you carry, each private despair; bring them all to the table, surrender them there.  
 There is room for the bread that is broken in two. It is offered for all that is broken in you. Simply  
 take it and eat it, and hunger no more. You must only accept it; be fully restored.

There is room for the cup that is filled with the wine. It is offered to you at this table of mine. Come  
 be filled with remembrance of my sacrifice. All your emptiness ended, your thirst satisfied.

There is room at the table, so come take your place. Taste the bread of forgiveness, the cup of my  
 grace. Not a meal for the body; a feast for the soul. O come to the table and you will leave it whole.

*The Chancel Choir*

## INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE &amp; CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

## UNISON READING OF THE BINKLEY COVENANT

**Professing our faith in Jesus Christ, we covenant with God and one another to live together as members of this church in obedience to God's will as it has been and shall be made known to us. As part of the body of Christ throughout the world, we promise to express our faithfulness to Christ in love for one another and for the whole of God's creation. The Spirit of God assisting us, we further promise to attend the services of this congregation, observe its sacraments, support its mission to all people, practice faithful stewardship of our possessions and be conscientious caretakers of the Earth, endeavoring always to be a fruitful body of Christians.**

## OFFERTORY

## I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry

John Ylvisaker

I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old. I'll be there to share the love of  
 God, and see your life unfold. I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well; in  
 a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell.

When you heard the the wonder of the word I was there to cheer you on; you were raised to praise  
 the living God, to whom you now belong. If you find someone to share your time and you join your  
 hearts as one, I'll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk till the rising sun.

In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young, I'll be there to guide you through the  
 night, complete what I've begun. When the evening gently closes in and you shut your weary eyes,  
 I'll be there as I have always been with just one more surprise.

*Alan Brown and Mark Walters; soloists*

## \* DOXOLOGY

*Our tradition of signing the Doxology will resume after Lent.*

OLD HUNDRETH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
 Praise God, all creatures here below.  
 Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
 Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

## \* AN INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

**All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly**

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*If you wish to become a member of Binkley Baptist Church today,  
 you are invited to come forward during the hymn to be welcomed and received.*

\* BLESSING & BENEDICTION

\* CHORAL RESPONSE

Jesu, Jesu

Ghana Folk Song, arr. Tom Colvin

*The text is that of hymn 600.*

*The season of Lent offers an opportunity to practice various spiritual disciplines. This year at Binkley we will "give up" a portion of the organ music that we normally hear each Sunday by omitting the postlude. The intention of this act is to signify this different season, and in hopes of bringing an added appreciation to the joyous sound of the organ postlude when it returns. The closing voluntary will return on Palm Sunday.*



**Guests, welcome!** We are so glad you have chosen to worship with us today. Please leave your name and contact information in the Friendship Register so we can get to know you better.

**The floral arrangement on the Communion Table** is given in memory of Dean E. Smith who would have celebrated his 89th birthday on February 28, given with love from the Smith, Kimple, and Young families.

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**\* The Congregation standing** as each is able.

### THE INVITATION TO CHRIST'S TABLE

Holy Communion is a sacred and central part of Christian worship. It is a holy act, in which we, individually and corporately, commune with the Loving God. We welcome all who desire a deepened relationship with Christ to the Communion table. From time to time, questions arise concerning the participation of young children in this congregation's service of Holy Communion. The Diaconate recognizes that two historic Baptist principles inform this decision. Baptists are set apart from many other Christian traditions by our practice of Believer's Baptism, which signifies full membership in the church. Traditionally, many Baptist churches encourage persons to receive the Communion bread and cup for the first time after they have been baptized. At the same time, our historic insistence on Soul Liberty reminds us that Baptists value and respect each believer's unique and personal relationship with God. The Diaconate thus recommends that all members of Binkley continue to deepen their understanding of the meaning of Holy Communion, and that families enter into a time of discernment concerning when their children are able to appreciate the sacred nature of Communion. We affirm the responsibility of all believers to determine whether and when they and their children will partake of the Communion elements as we all participate in the service of Communion.

### THE DISCRETIONARY FUND

Today you are invited to make a special offering to the Pastor Discretionary Fund. This fund allows Binkley to support our church and community members who are in financial crisis. Earmark any checks "Discretionary Fund" in the item section. Envelopes are available in the chair racks.

## THIS WEEK AT BINKLEY

Sunday	3/1	9:00 am	Morning Celebration	Lounge
		9:30 am	Sunday School	
		11:00 am	Worship: <i>Marcus McFaul preaching</i>	Sanctuary
		4:30 pm	Bell Choir	Choir Room
		6:30 pm	Youth Group	Osborne Home
Monday	3/2	7:00 pm	Diaconate	Sunroom
Tuesday	3/3	9:30 am	Staff Meeting	Library
		1:00 pm	Sermon Shaping	Library
Wednesday	3/4	9:00 am	Morning Prayer	Chapel
		5:30 pm	Wednesday Night Series	Fellowship Hall
		7:30 pm	Chancel Choir	Choir Room
Thursday	3/5	2:00 pm	Health Ministries Sponsored Blood Drive	Fellowship Hall
		5:15 pm	Health Ministries Sponsored Yoga Class	Choir Room
		7:00 pm	Living the Questions	Lounge
Sunday	3/8	9:00 am	Morning Celebration	Lounge
		9:30 am	Sunday School	
		11:00 am	Worship: <i>Marcus McFaul preaching</i>	Sanctuary
		12:15 pm	Peace and Justice	Library
		4:30 pm	Bell Choir	Choir Room
		6:00 pm	Youth Group	Sunroom/Lounge

**WORSHIP WITH CHILDREN:** Children ages 4-5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to follow Stephanie Ford out of the Sanctuary to the Sunroom. Claudia will lead a lesson about children both in the Bible times and in the present who have helped other adult children of God. Your child(ren) can be picked up there after Worship.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERIES: March 5, 5:30 pm, Fellowship Hall.** The Hayti Heritage Center in Durham is a cultural arts organization tasked with promoting not only the rich legacy of this historic community, but also with advancing the African-American experience through the arts. Six years ago, Angela Lee, daughter of our own Lillian and Howard Lee, became the Executive Director. Enjoy a warm and engaging conversation with Angela, and learn more about this local jewel. Check 'Event' in the Friendship Register or contact the office by NOON on Monday to make your reservation. Dinner is \$7 for adults, \$4 for children.

**HEALTH MINISTRIES SPONSORED BLOOD DRIVE: Thursday, March 5, 2-6:30 pm, Fellowship Hall.** Visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and use sponsor code 'Binkley' to make your appointment.

*The Enneagram: A Map for Understanding Ourselves & Others.* Facilitated by Marilyn Wolf, M.Ed., Saturday, March 7, 2020 ~ 9:30 am – 2:30 pm, lunch included. This workshop is for the beginner as well as for those with a basic understanding of the Enneagram, who want to learn more about some core elements and how they combine. \$50. Email Stephanie Ford, if you would like to sign up or have questions.

**CELEBRATING KYLE:** The Music Committee will sponsor a reception in the narthex following worship on **Sunday, March 8**, to celebrate Kyle's one year anniversary at Binkley. Please plan to join us for some light refreshments and conversation, and have the chance to greet Kyle on this happy occasion.

**FAITH CONNECTIONS ON MENTAL ILLNESS HOPE & HEALING CONFERENCE 2020: Faithfully Practicing Community Inclusion. Friday, March 13, McKimmon Conference Center, Raleigh.**

Keynote Speaker: Father Gregory Boyle, S. J., Founder and Director of Homeboy Industries in Los Angeles, CA, the largest gang intervention program in the USA. He and two of the Homeboys will relate their powerful experiences in addressing marginalization, gang violence and mental health conditions that often lead to hopelessness, violence and incarceration. For registration and information on additional speakers visit: [fcmi-nc.org](http://fcmi-nc.org).

**WAR, PEACE, AND JUSTICE IN A TIME OF CLIMATE CHANGE:** Mark Douglas, Professor of Christian Ethics at Columbia Theological Seminary, Decatur, Georgia, will lead a 3.5-hour workshop on issues of conflict and climate change on **Saturday, March 21**, from 1:30 to 5:00 p.m., at United Church of Chapel Hill. Register at [www.tinyurl.com/ulc3nky](http://www.tinyurl.com/ulc3nky). If you have questions, contact Herman Greene: [hfgreenenc@gmail.com](mailto:hfgreenenc@gmail.com).

**CELEBRATING DALE:** Dale's final Sunday at Binkley is March 22. After worship that day, we will celebrate his 27+ years of ministry and friendship with a joyful and meaningful reception. Please join us.

**Ways you can help:**

- **Spread the word.** We want to spread the word to all who know and love Dale. If you know of someone who does not receive Binkley communications but should be invited to the reception, please send their contact information to Jane Walters: [majjic@earthlink.net](mailto:majjic@earthlink.net).
- **Send us your photos of Dale.** Please send your photos digitally to [office@binkleychurch.org](mailto:office@binkleychurch.org) or drop printed photos by the office with your name printed on the back. We are especially looking for photos from before 2015. Submissions due by March 15.
- **Write a card.** You will have the opportunity to leave written well-wishes for Dale and his family at the reception.

- **Contribute to the love offering.** A love offering will be collected for Dale and his family in gratitude for his decades of service. You may contribute online ([binkleychurch.org/give](http://binkleychurch.org/give)), place a check in the offering plate, or bring your contribution by the office by March 20.

**SERVICE OF JUBILEE: Launch & Discussion: March 29; Service of Jubilee: May 3.**

Plan to gather on **March 29** after the worship service for lunch (provided) and small group discussions to share your ideas about ways to encourage Binkley folks to become more involved in the ministries and programs at Binkley. These discussions and reflections will prepare us for a **Service of Jubilee on May 3**, where the entire campus will be transformed into a celebration of our ministries, and where all of our members and friends can learn about and become connected to ministries where they feel led to serve. Stay tuned for details. For more information, please contact Tonya Hamm: [tonyasusan@aol.com](mailto:tonyasusan@aol.com).

**CROP WALK 2020: Sunday, March 29, 2 pm, Carrboro Town Commons.** Beginning March 1<sup>st</sup>, there will be a table in the narthex after 11 am services every Sunday where you can sign up to sponsor a walker, donate directly and/or buy a tee shirt. Online donations are preferred. Please check your March newsletter or Friday Update for information on how to donate online. One quarter of the donations go to the IFC for food programs and three quarters go to Church World Service for hunger relief. Questions? Email Karen Long: [kemplong@bellsouth.net](mailto:kemplong@bellsouth.net)

**WEAVING BEAUTY INTO OUR LIVES: Binkley Women's Retreat, April 24-26, 2020.** Plan to join new and old friends at our annual retreat, this year in a new spot: Blowing Rock Conference Center. We'll enjoy the mountains in spring, while reflecting on ways that nature, art, music, poetry, and more bring the healing and hope we all need. See Stephanie Ford for details. Registration forms at Stephanie's office door.

# BINKLEY PRAYER CONCERNS AND JOYS

## CHURCH FAMILY

Priscilla Bratcher  
Rachel Avery  
Mable Strowd  
Jane Maske

Marcella & Bobby Wagoner  
Weldon Thornton  
Edith Wiggins

Barbara Upshaw  
Gladess Crisp  
Robin Brice

*We celebrate with Rosa del Carmen Ortez-Cruz, who has been in Sanctuary at Church of the Reconciliation since 2018. Her deportation order has been cancelled by the Fourth Circuit judges. For now, Rosa will stay in church sanctuary until she receives reassurances from ICE that they will honor the judicial decision. She will have a follow-up court appearance in several months in Charlotte for the immigration judge to close her case.*

## HEALTH CENTER RESIDENTS AND THOSE IN THE HOSPITAL

Ann Overton

Judy Eastman

Bill Bodkin

## EXTENDED FAMILY

Aaron and Vianey Perkinson,  
Moody AFB, Valdosta, GA (Nape Baker)  
Christine Mortensen (Jennifer Mahoney)  
Nanh & Veo Siu (Ehn Rocham & Phytut Siu)  
Tan & Scott Coats (Burma missionaries)  
Maria de la Mata Bruno (Maribel Bruno)  
Susan Elaine O'Neal (Janet O'Neal)  
Pinheiro Baptist Church, Maceio, Brazil  
Tara Strickland Hogan (The Walker Family)  
Valerie & Percell Harper (April Harper)  
Joan Hammond (Brashaw Family)  
Barbara Fulcher (Caryl Fulcher)  
Polly Heninger (Karen Long)

The Comprehensive Rural Health Project,  
Jamkhed (Connie Gates)  
Tom Long (Karen Long)  
David Houser (Paul Lindsay)  
Lisa London (Karen Long)  
Fred Clifford (Dick Clifford)  
Dan McInnis (Gary Stutts)  
Scott Carpenter (Libba Wells)  
Kathy Walmer (Julie Lentz)  
Charles Brewer (Emily Brewer)  
Allyson McCauley (Swanson-Boyd Family)  
The Patterson Family (Caryl Fulcher)  
Tom Csider (Josh McIntyre)

The Binkley Church Council  
The Binkley Diaconate  
Johnny O'Neal (Janet O'Neal)  
Ethan Zolit (Martha Hutt)  
Leigh Ann Zirkle (Franklin Zirkle)  
Mac McNairy (Bill McNairy)  
Doris Tillman (Lori Barbier)  
James Hutt (Martha Hutt)  
Elaine Jeffcoat (Martha Green)  
Laura Wunder (Ann Cockrell)  
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